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Britons Evacuated From Battled Insein

Rangoon, Burma, February 11.
British Embassy trucks last night entered beleaguered Insein, 10 miles North of Rangoon, and safely evacuated 45 British nationals who had been caught in the rebel town.
The trucks, manned by Embassy officials, entered Insein amid the glare of burning shells before another moonlight battle between Government troops and Karen rebels.
The rescued Britons described their experiences as nightmarish. They said they were driven almost crazy by the continuous gunfire. Shells burst within a few feet of the brick building in which they were held for more than a week by the rebels.
One woman refugee said, "That we are safe and alive is a miracle. We prayed every day. God heard our prayers."
They said they lived for 10 days on a diet of salt and rice given them by the rebel tribesmen.
The Burmese Government, meanwhile, claimed martial law in the Insein district where Government troops have been battling Karen rebels for 12 days.—Associated Press.

Criticism Of Dr. Sun Reported Growing Among Legislators

Nanking, February 11.
Qualified opinion in Nanking shows the Premier, Dr. Sun Fo's insistence on keeping his cabinet in Canton may cost him his job, according to a United Press survey conducted by the United Press today.
The survey revealed growing criticism of him, with a possibility of it exploding into an organised attempt to oust him from the Premiership when the Legislative Yuan meets again for its next plenary session.

Qualified Legislative Yuan circles here have no doubt that the next session would be held in Nanking instead of Canton, as Dr. Sun Fo desires. A decision to stay here would be a serious blow to Dr. Sun Fo's political position, it is interpreted here.

These circles said that despite evacuation of the Legislative Yuan secretariat to Canton and appeal to hold session in the South China city, the majority of legislators favour staying in Nanking. They said legislators now residing in Nanking and Shanghai, who were the first to make the decision to keep their organs here, received support from legislators in Hankow, Kweilin and Hangchow.

Support of the Hangchow Legislative Yuan members was conveyed to their colleagues in Shanghai by Mr. Yin Shu-hsien and Mr. Chang Tso-fan. Shanghai legislators, also, were said to have sent representatives to Taiwan to rally support from their colleagues now staying there.

Psychological Reason
Several Legislative Yuan members, who asked their identity be not disclosed, alleged Dr. Sun Fo's chief reason to remove the cabinet to Canton is psychological—fear of Communist capture or danger to personal safety.

They said the removal decision was made towards the end of January after the Minister of National Defence, General Hsu Yung-chang, reported to him that Nanking would be within range of Communist guns within three to five days.

In addition to his insistence on keeping the cabinet in Canton, these legislators said there were several other things which he has done that have given rise to dissatisfaction. They gave as a first, his asking the government-owned Central Bank of China to buy his house in Columbia Road, Shanghai, for HK\$500,000.

A highly placed source insists there is no rift between Acting President Li Tsung-jen and Premier Sun Fo on removal of the Executive Yuan. He admitted General Li persuaded Dr. Sun to keep the cabinet here but after Dr. Sun insisted on removing to Canton, the Acting President did not follow up the issue.

Acting President Li, according to the same source, also is keeping his hands off the current controversy over the meeting place of the Legislative Yuan.

Red Controls
Victory for China's Communists North of the Yangtze River while has brought with it tightening control of foreign activities which, in some cases, are as severe as that imposed by Soviet Russia.

Observers here, watching developments in North China cities, say they are now convinced the Communists in China are preparing to follow almost exactly the pattern of the Soviet in driving out all foreign influence and then installing it back under rigid control, which they find necessary for the operation of their country. In Washington, there is mounting evidence that despite the retirement of President Chiang Kai-shek and the removal of the

Found Not Guilty On All Counts Of Indictment Kwok Kwong Guilty On 5 Counts

Austin Spary, electrical inspector Grade I of the Public Works Department, was acquitted late last night at the Supreme Court on all counts with which he was charged.
Kwok Kwong, PWD foreman and second accused in the indictment, was found guilty on five counts. Sentence on him, however, was postponed until Tuesday, when Mr. Percy Chen, accused's counsel, is expected to make a plea for mitigation.
The Jury, comprising four men and three women, returned the verdict at 10.30 o'clock last night after deliberating from 6.10 p.m., thus ending one of the longest trials in the history of the Colony.

Spary, when told by Mr. Justice Reynolds of his discharge, appeared unsteady on his feet and had to be helped out of the dock on to a seat nearby.
After the trial was over, Mr. Justice Reynolds expressed his thanks to the members of the Jury, and told them that they were exempted from Jury service for life.

At approximately 8.35 p.m., during the Jury's deliberation, Mr. Justice Reynolds ordered the court to re-assemble, and apologised to the Jury for having omitted to put to them an important point of Spary's evidence before the evidence given with regard to the CPA and to the explanations Spary gave as to having been seen at the CPA.

Having done this, Mr. Reynolds also put to the Jury a small portion of evidence with regard to the Cecilia Beauty Salon, and at the same time commented about certain evidence he gave in favour of Kwok Kwong with regard to Ho Sung having kept the keys to the stores.

Mr. Justice Reynolds, at the opening of the last session of the trial yesterday, commenced his summing-up to the Jury at 4 a.m. By the time he had finished it was well past six o'clock in the evening.

Four-Hour Session
The Jury then went in to deliberate and did not come out of the room with the verdict until more than four hours later.
The two accused had been charged with 11 counts, comprising nine of larceny by public servant, one of obtaining money by pretences, and one of conspiracy to defraud the Government.

There had previously been 12 counts in all, but one count—regarding the theft of a ceiling fan—was dropped by the prosecution in order to save as much time as possible.

Yesterday's session is said to have been a record sitting, for by the time it ended it was shortly before 11 p.m.

In the course of his long summing-up Mr. Justice Reynolds remarked that the case had been a long one and that he wished to express to the Jury his appreciation for their very patient hearing and the attention they had given.

Continuing, Mr. Reynolds stated that he would direct them on the law relating to the various counts, but that they must always remember the facts were their concern and theirs alone. In summing up the evidence, he said, he might from time to time express his personal opinion whether the evidence impressed him or not.

Mr. Reynolds further declared that, whatever he said, it was that they who had to decide on the facts, and if he expressed an opinion and they did not agree with it, they could discard it.

Mr. Reynolds went on to say that, in every criminal case, the burden of proof is always on the prosecution. They must, he said, satisfy the Jury that the accused is guilty, and it is not for both accused in this case to satisfy the Jury of their innocence. The Crown must satisfy them beyond all reasonable doubt of the guilt of each of the accused.

The Judge then went on to explain what was meant by "beyond reasonable doubt" and stated that in the indictment, the Jury had to decide nine charges of larceny, and one each of obtaining money by false pretences and conspiracy to defraud.

There were certain elements in every crime, he continued, which the prosecution must satisfy the Jury beyond all reasonable doubt. In some of the counts, he said, it must be proved with regard to the material which was the subject of each count, and that such material was taken out of the possession of His Majesty and converted to the possession of someone else.

As regards the question of ownership, Mr. Reynolds told the Jury that, as to the materials which, according to the evidence, were abandoned by the Japanese—these materials came into possession by Government servants on behalf of His Majesty, and if these materials were put in premises owned and controlled by the Crown, then he would direct the Jury that such materials became the property of the Crown.

Continuing, Mr. Reynolds declared that if the Jury found the Government was not the true owner of the particular materials mentioned in any of the charges, but found that they had possession of them through their servants, then they had possession of it against any person except the true owner.

Mr. Reynolds then dealt with the facts on each of the particular counts, and stated that the evidence, he would deal with each larceny charge in their order, then the charge of obtaining money by false pretences, and lastly, the conspiracy charge.

Evidence: Cardinal Drugged

Vienna, February 11.
Two persons who said they were handwriting experts of the treason trial of Josef Cardinal Mindszenty asserted to day that their study of the convicted Cardinal's handwriting in alleged "confessions" showed he was under influence of drugs.

The two, Laszlo Sulnr and his wife, Hanna, were under protection of Western authorities today after fleeing Hungary.

They told their story yesterday to intelligence experts of one of the Western Powers and turned over to them microfilm of what they said were the original documents used against the Cardinal.

They said the handwriting in the documents is similar to Cardinal Mindszenty's usual script, but that numerous variations indicated the accused Primate had been under the influence of drugs at the time of the writing.

The Sulnrs brought Hungarian police affidavits with them attesting to their official status as handwriting analysts.

Testify In Court

They said they were called on by the Communist-dominated People's Court to testify on the authenticity of the handwriting in the trial documents and to state that the writing showed no signs of an abnormal state of mind.

There was no immediate indication why the Sulnrs so testified in the Budapest court, and then fled the country to reverse their testimony.

Some Western sources, including Vatican spokesmen, have asserted that Cardinal Mindszenty was tortured and drugged during his long imprisonment before the trial. They said that explains the confessions obtained by the prosecution. The prosecution denied such charges during the trial.

The Sulnrs were identified by the documents they carried as the official handwriting experts of the Budapest courts and the Criminal Institute of the Hungarian police. No details of their flight were made public.—Associated Press.

Japan Diet Re-Elects Yoshida

Tokyo, February 11.
The Diet today re-elected Shigeru Yoshida, President of the Conservative Democratic Liberal Party, to succeed himself as Prime Minister of Japan's seventh post-war Government.

In the House of Representatives balloting, Yoshida polled 380 votes out of 441 votes cast.

The Communist candidate, Kiyoshi Tokuda, received no vote.

Isao Asanuma, of the Socialist Party, received 88 votes. Rokuro Matsumoto of the new Farmer's Party received 10 votes.

Earlier, the House of Councilors elected Yoshida, giving him 107 votes out of 219 votes cast.

Asanuma received 28 votes and Kamekichi Matsuoaka, also of the Socialist Party, received 23.

Yoshida was expected to complete organisation of his Conservative coalition government by Monday or Tuesday.—United Press.

Earlier today Premier Yoshida formally resigned in a perfunctory gesture preceding his re-election for what may be a four-year term.

Yoshida and his four months old Cabinet notified the newly elected Diet of their resignations—a mandatory procedure under the Constitution following a general election.—Associated Press.

U.S. Reconciled To Loss Of Japan In Event Of War

Tokyo, February 11.
The United States is reconciled to the loss of Japan in the event of war, it was learned today from the most authoritative American sources.

A recent strategic survey of the world has convinced at least some of the leading military experts in Washington that Japan is indefensible. They are privately advocating the early withdrawal of all United States occupation forces.

British and Australian circles in Tokyo would not comment officially on the report. Unofficially they expressed concern that a virtual American withdrawal from the Pacific would remove a major stabilising force.

The British Embassy said that there had been no consultations between the Americans and British in Tokyo on the possibility of American withdrawal.

Speaking unofficially, British sources said that Hong Kong's position, now precariously held against the advance of Chinese Communism, might become untenable.

The situation in Malaya, Indonesia and Indochina could only be gravely affected, and Okinawa are believed to be safer. Strategic air attacks could be mounted from these bases without the problems and responsibilities of Japan.

The Alaska-Aleutian chain guards the direct approach to the American continent, but even if Japan and these bases were lost the United States would not be especially vulnerable.

The East coast of the United States, on the contrary, would be most vulnerable in the event of the loss of Western Europe.

The United States Pacific fleet is still a big factor. Not for many years is the Russian Pacific fleet expected to rival the American in size and efficiency.

The United States rejects the plan, that she has accepted any moral obligations for Japan. This far-reaching conclusion does not infer that the United States would turn Japan over to Communism, the sources revealed.

General MacArthur has frequently expressed satisfaction with the degree of democratisation accepted by the Japanese, but this is not necessarily echoed in Washington, the sources indicated.

Influential opinion there is that the Japanese have not changed much since the war and that they had to be disarmed even if it had been known that someone was willing to attack them the minute after it was done.

Although observers here believe that developments in China must have influenced this section of American military opinion, the sources themselves denied that China was any cause for concern.

They expressed serious doubts whether Russia would be able to make effective use of Communist China, and said that there was even a prospect of the Soviet encountering trouble there.

Russia could not supply China with the commodities she needed probably would not be feasible against the known Pacific fleet of Russian submarines.

The defense of Japan would prove most difficult. The bases at Clark Field, in the Philippines

Swedish Ambassador Calls On Acheson

Washington, February 10.
The Swedish Ambassador, Mr. Erik Boheman, told the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, yesterday:

1. Sweden considers the Scandinavian pact as the wisest instrument at present to keep the cold war out of Scandinavia.

2. Sweden has carefully refrained from trying to influence Norway to accept the Scandinavian pact, considering that Norway should make up her own mind without outside pressure.

3. Sweden has one of the most important armed forces in Western Europe and it is respected by Sweden's neighbours, large and small.

Mr. Acheson did not give any opinion on the Scandinavian pact, but asked many searching questions. The State Department, for the first time, has authoritative information on this project as a result of the visit of Mr. Boheman and Mr. Henrik de Kauffmann, the Danish Ambassador.

Mr. Acheson has also been told for the first time that Sweden can arm and mobilise up to 700,000 men as compared with a maximum of about 60,000 by Norway and 30,000 by Denmark.

Mr. Acheson is aware that, unlike the proposed Atlantic pact, the Scandinavian pact will provide for automatic aid of armed forces in case of aggression.

Swedish Strength
The United States until now apparently had not been told that Soviet Russia has a healthy respect for the Swedish armed forces because:

1. Sweden has arms to give her men, which is not the case (to the same extent) with Norway and Denmark.

2. The Russians remember that in the 500 years during which Sweden has been in various wars with them, the Swedish troops generally acquitted themselves well.

The foregoing points are believed to have given at least some second thought to United States officials regarding the Scandinavian pact. This is the first time that the Swedish Ambassador has been asked to give his opinion on the pact.

THE WEATHER

At 6:00 a.m. (HKT) a depression over the Ryukyu Islands is moving NW and from it an active trough extends SW to Formosa and Paracelsa Islands W and NW across Indo-China and Siam. To the N. of the trough a moderate anticyclone persists over N. China while to the S pressure gradients are slight.

Today's Forecast—Moderate N. winds, cloudy, periods of rain and drizzle.

Maximum 82.3 deg. F. Minimum 60.8 deg. F. Sunshine 10.15 hours. Total cloud 10.15 hours. Wind 10.15 hours. Humidity 77%.

Bar. at sea 1015.4 mm. Sea 1015.4 mm. at 10 a.m. 1015.4 mm. at 4 p.m. 1015.4 mm. at 10 p.m. 1015.4 mm.

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1. To receive and consider the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1948.
2. To sanction a Dividend in respect of the year 1948.
3. To elect two Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors.

CLOSING OF TRANSFER BOOKS.

Notice is also given that the Transfer Books and Register of Members will be closed from the 14th February, 1949, to the 28th February, 1949, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

G. B. S. THOMSON, Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 1, 1949.

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LTD.

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The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 5th February, 1949 to Saturday, 12th February, 1949, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

KAN TONG PO, Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, January 24, 1949.

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B. MELLOR, Registrar.

February 9, 1949.

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February 10, 1949.

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MARINE DEPARTMENT NOTICE NO. 5 OF 1949.

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Tenders should be sent to the Acting Director of Marine before noon on Wednesday the 10th of February, 1949. Tenders should be enclosed in a sealed envelope.

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The Acting Director of Marine does not bind himself to accept the highest or any tender.

N. GARLAND,

Acting Director of Marine.

Marine Office, Hong Kong, Feb. 9, 1949.

NOTICE TO MARINERS NO. 5 OF 1949

HONG KONG WATERS CAPE D'AGUIAR RADIO (VPS)

As from midnight GMT Sunday, February 13, 1949, Cape D'Aguiar Radio (VPS) transmissions on 11200 KCS will be discontinued. Weather reports and traffic lists will instead be omitted on a frequency of 8502 KCS at the times now scheduled.

Cape D'Aguiar Radio will from the above date listen for calls from Foreign Ships in the calling band 8354 KCS to 8374 KCS and will answer on 8502 KCS.

Notice to Mariners No. 24 of 1948 is amended accordingly.

Authority—Postmaster General, Hong Kong.

N. GARLAND,

Ag. Director of Marine.

Marine Office, Hong Kong, Feb. 10, 1949.

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Confiscation Of Gold

Four men were found with gold on their persons when out-going passengers were searched at the Kowloon Canton Railway Station on Thursday afternoon.

Before Mr. W.A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday, Wong Kung-jing had his five taels of gold confiscated on the application of Revenue Inspector D.H. Knox.

The other three, Lo Wing-tun, Fung Ping-sun and Chang Him, who had 0.4 taels, 4.4 taels and one tael respectively, failed to come before Court and had their bail of \$20 each forfeited. The gold in each case was confiscated.

POST OFFICE

MAIL NOTICE

OUTWARD AIRMAIL TO UK DELAYED
The Outward Airmail to United Kingdom scheduled to close at 10 a.m. on Sunday, February 13, has been delayed and will now close on Monday, February 14, at Kowloon GPO 4.30 p.m., and Hong Kong GPO 5 a.m. (Registered mail half an hour earlier).

Outward Mails

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Posts close 10 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mail close before 10 a.m., Registered and Parcel Posts close at 5 p.m. on the previous day. Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office half an hour earlier than the GPO.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12

Closing Times by Air
Canton and Hankow, (Kowloon GPO) 7.30 a.m., 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 2.30 p.m., 5 p.m., 8.30 a.m., 11 a.m., 1.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 5.30 p.m., 8 p.m., 11 p.m.

Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m.
Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 9 a.m., (Ord.) 9.30 a.m.
Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) 11 a.m., (Ord.) 11.30 a.m.

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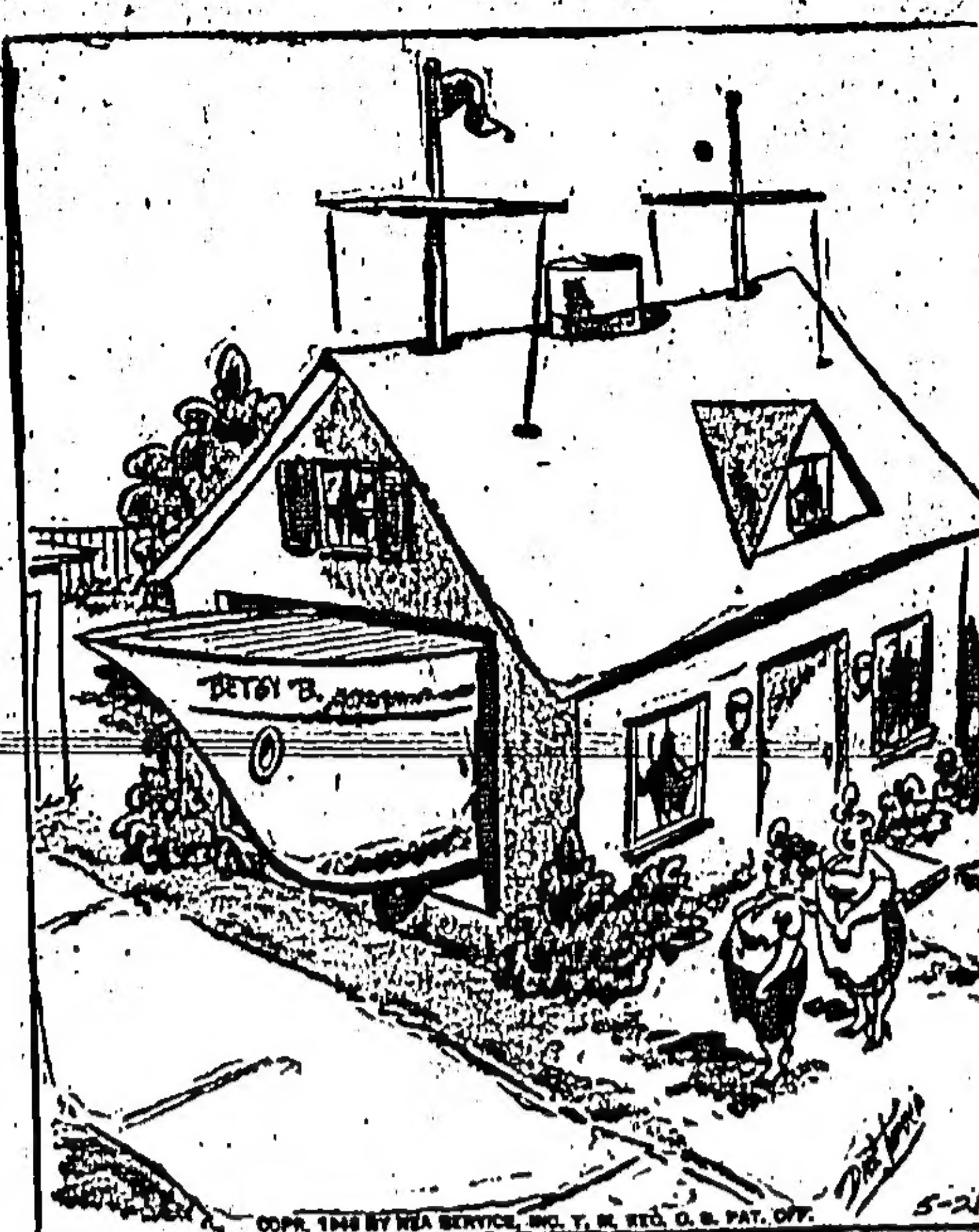
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CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"I hate to say anything about it—his little workshop is the only recreation he has!"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

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CHIEFLY A SUIT ASSET
Having a singleton in your hand, opposite a partner who has bid both No Trumps and a major suit which you support adequately, you may think you have a difficult problem, but you have not. In practically all such cases, you should put the game contract into the major suit. If you think that is because your singleton is a liability, the chief reason is that the singleton is an asset in suit play, affording your partner a chance to pick up by ruffing one or more tricks which he could not get otherwise.

Where the deal was played in spades, South took all but one trick, lost to the spade Q. Two hearts were ruffed by the dummy's trumps, leaving South's hand composed entirely of winners except for the single trick in trumps. It was an ideal illustration of the fact that a singleton is valuable at suit play, but valueless at No Trumps.

Tomorrow's Problem
S J 10 8 4 2
H A 5
D 7
C A 10 8 6 2

S 6 3
H J 10 9 8
D 4 3 2
C 6 3

S None

Crisis At The Hague Reaching The Climax

Acquitted But Still In Gaol

New Delhi, February 11. V. G. Savarkar, the only person acquitted in the Gandhi murder judgment on Thursday, has been kept in custody. Mr. Lalit, Secretary of the Hindu Mahasabha, said that Savarkar was discharged from court on Thursday morning and taken to an adjoining room and told by the police not to leave the premises until further orders. He added that Savarkar was subsequently detained within the Red Fort under the Punjab Safety Act.

A reception, arranged by the Mahasabha, in honour of Savarkar on Thursday, was cancelled. Mr. Lalit said that of those convicted on Thursday, Nathuram Godse has told his lawyer that he is not appealing against the death sentence while Dr. Paruchuri has already filed papers to appeal against his life imprisonment sentence.

The judge held that Dr. Paruchuri procured the pistol that killed Gandhi.—Associated Press.

THE TOLL IN MALAYA

London, February 11. The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, said today that Malayan guerrillas killed 31 civilians in January. The average number killed per month, between June and December inclusive, was 43, he added in a written reply to a Commons question.

"Production of rubber has been maintained and that of tin increased, thanks largely to the loyalty and courage of those concerned and to the confidence which they and others have shown in the future of their territory," he said.

The Colonial Under-Secretary, Mr. D. A. Rees Williams, in another written reply, said that the Government are deeply appreciative of the steadfastness of the planters, miners and other workers in Malaya in the face of difficulty and danger.—Associated Press.

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The Hague, February 10:

The Netherlands Cabinet, facing an almost inevitable split over its Indonesian policy, held a special three-and-a-half hours' meeting today without announcing a decision.

Political quarters feel the crisis is rapidly reaching a climax. The Ministers will resume their discussions tomorrow.

During this week's debate on Indonesia in the Second Chamber, party speakers had demanded clear-cut Government statements on the following points:

1. Acceptance or rejection of the United Nations Security Council resolution on Indonesia.
2. Release of the Republican leaders.
3. The present status of the occupied Republic; and
4. The retention or abolition of the proposed interim period prior to the complete transfer of sovereignty to the United States of Indonesia.

A Cabinet split on the Security Council's resolution can hardly be avoided. Until the vital question of the complete or rejection has been decided, the Cabinet will not be able to make a clear-cut statement on the other three points to the Dutch Parliament.

Divergent Views

The next public Parliamentary session has been called for Tuesday, the deadline set by the Dutch-Indonesian agreement on an interim Federal Government for Indonesia.

The Council's January 28 resolution called for an immediate end to the fighting in Indonesia and called on the Dutch to release the Republican leaders and allow them to function in the Jogjakarta area, and to invest the United Nations Commission with powers to assist in establishing an interim Government before March 15.

Most Cabinet members appear to feel that the whole resolution violates Dutch sovereignty in Indonesia. Some, led by the Overseas Territories Minister, Mr. E.M.A. Sassen, maintain that the Government should ignore it completely.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 0.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

H.K.T.
12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.32 p.m.—Light Variety with Ambrose and the Greyhounds.
1.00 p.m.—Jazz Get (DUETS).
1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m.—A Light Orchestral Programme.
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
2.05 p.m.—Programme Summary.
2.07 p.m.—"The Request" Linda Carter Calling—R.N. Yard Police (Studio).
2.10 p.m.—World News and News Analysis (London Relay).
2.15 p.m.—Carroll Gibbons (Piano) "On the Air".
2.30 p.m.—"Grand Hotel" Albert Bandier and the Palm Court Orchestra with Sylvia Welling (Soprano). (DUETS)
2.50 p.m.—"From the Editorials" (London Relay).
3.10 p.m.—"Saturday Round-Up"—"Leave—and A Visit to East Africa" An Interview with Gus Caddick. (Studio)
3.35 p.m.—Sports Results. (Studio)
3.40 p.m.—Veritas "Aldo" Act 2. With Marie Castiglia, Beniamino Glisi, Ede Stignani, Tancredi Passero, and other Principals, Chorus and Orchestra of Opera, Rome, conducted by Felice Serafin.
3.50 p.m.—A Short Piano Recital by Benno Moisewitch.
4.00 p.m.—"A File of Wood" A Mystery Play by Evelyn Russell. (DUETS)
4.10 p.m.—Radio, News Reel. (London Relay)
4.15 p.m.—Weather Report.
4.18 p.m.—"Cabaret" and Dance Music.
4.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

Star Wants Outdoor Gaol

Los Angeles, February 10. Robert Mitchum, the film actor, hopes to be allowed to serve his 60 days prison sentence, imposed for having had possession of the narcotic drug, marijuana, on an "honour" farm.

"I want to be out of doors," he told reporters, adding: "I think the sentence was fair."

Mitchum's co-defendant, Lila Leeds, who received a similar sentence, said: "I made a mistake and am willing to take the consequences." Both were also placed on two years probation.—Reuter.

Film Star's Divorce

Juarez, Mexico, February 10. Merle Oberon, Hollywood film actress, was granted a divorce today in the Juarez Civil Court from Lucien Ballard, Hollywood cameraman.

It was a quick divorce granted some 30 minutes after a petition, alleging incompatibility, was filed before Judge J. Barba Cornejo.

Ballard's written consent to the divorce petition enabled it to be granted quickly. Miss Oberon arrived at nearby El Paso, Texas, last night by plane and left today for an undisclosed destination in Arizona.

She smiled when the petition was granted, but made no comment. Ballard was not in Court, but was represented by an attorney.

It was in the same court in 1945 that Miss Oberon was divorced from Sir Alexander Korda, British film producer.—United Press.

GENERAL GETS EXTRA YEAR

Prague, February 11. General Karel Janousek, once Inspector-General of Czech air units in the British Royal Air Force, was sentenced to 19 years in prison yesterday for treason, desertion and conspiracy.

He was sentenced to death last June after he was captured while trying to cross the border but his sentence was commuted to 18 years in prison.

The case went for retrial and Thursday's 10-year sentence resulted. Several others, accused as accomplices, were sentenced to from three to 15 years in prison.—Associated Press.

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PRO'S ATTACK ON

OFFICIAL DISHONESTY IN PRESS RELATIONS

London, February 10.

The Chief Publicity Officer of the State-owned British Transport Commission today attacked what he called the dishonesty of British Government departments in their relations with the Press.

In a booklet on public relations which he has sent to the Royal Commission on the Press, Mr. H. J. Brebner, declared that time and time again official denials have been issued in respect of statements in the newspapers, the facts of which have been later confirmed by the department concerned.

"To build up confidence, accuracy is the first essential. With accuracy goes honesty. It is to be feared that the temptations to dishonesty are strong. Government relations with the Press. These temptations must be absolutely resisted."

"It is natural that the Press will cease to consult or to check news items with departments who adopt such methods. "It is no exaggeration to say that lack of accuracy and lack of complete honesty account for a great part of the criticism of certain Whitehall Public Relations Departments that appears in the leading articles of the newspapers. Any person having these faults is more likely to prove a liability to his department than an asset."

PRO'S Job

He said the function of a press officer must always be to give the Press the things it needs, not the things it does not need.

"Adverse comment by the Press is either well-founded or it is not. If it is well-founded, the

good press officer, instead of resenting it, will receive it with gratitude because it provides an opportunity for dealing with weaknesses in the undertaking which otherwise might have remained undiscovered, and unremedied," he added.

Mr. Brebner, now 51, was awarded the American Medal of Freedom for his work as Press Adviser to SHAEF in the invasion of Europe.

A former civil servant, he was in charge of the Post Office's Press Section in 1920. During the war he was successively Director of the News Division of the Ministry of Information and Adviser to the British Minister of State in the Middle East.—Reuter

Lake Success, February 10. Boy scouts and girl guides of 20 countries belonging to the United Nations Scout Association have collected about two tons of old clothing, toys and food from members of the Secretariat and delegates for shipment to Palestine refugees.—Reuter.

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THEIR FINEST HOUR

Confusion in French Command

By Winston Churchill

The C.I.G.S., Gen. (today Lord) Ironside, had been sent by the War Cabinet to British G.H.Q. in France, to instruct Lord Gort to move the B.E.F. South Westwards and force his way through to join the French.

ON May 21 Ironside returned and reported that Lord Gort, on receiving the Cabinet instructions, had put the following points to him:

(i) That the Southward march would involve a rearguard action from the Scheldt at the same time as an attack into an area already strongly held by the enemy armoured and mobile formations. During such a movement both flanks would have to be protected.

(ii) That sustained offensive operations were difficult in view of the administrative situation, and

(iii) that neither the French First Army nor the Belgians were likely to be able to conform to such a manoeuvre, if attempted.

Ironside added that confusion reigned in the French High Command in the North, that General Billotte had failed to carry out his duties of co-ordination for the past eight days and appeared to have no plans; that the B.E.F. were in good heart and had so far had only about 500 battle casualties. He gave a vivid description of the state of the roads, crowded with refugees, "scoured" by the fire of German aircraft. He had had a rough time himself.

The Alternatives

Two fearsome alternatives therefore presented themselves to the War Cabinet. The first, the British Army at all costs, with or without French and Belgian co-operation, to make its way to the South and the Somme, a task which Lord Gort doubted its ability to perform; the second, to fall back on Dunkirk and face a sea evacuation under hostile air attack with the certainty of losing all the artillery and equipment, then so scarce and precious. Obviously great risks should be run to achieve the first, but there was no reason why all possible precautions and preparations could not be taken for the sea evacuation if the Southern plan failed. I proposed to my colleagues that I should go to France to meet Reynaud and Weygand and come to a decision. Dill was to meet me there from Gen. Georges H.Q.

This was the moment when my colleagues felt it right to obtain from Parliament the extraordinary powers for which a Bill had been prepared during the last few days. This measure would give the Government practically unlimited power over the life, liberty and property of all his Majesty's subjects in Great Britain.

In regard to persons, the Ministry of Labour was empowered to direct anyone to perform any service required. The regulation giving him this included a "Fair Wages" clause which was inserted in the Act to regulate wage conditions. Labour supply committees were to be set up in important centres. The control of property

to bring home a sense of responsibility to the Jews alone. Clearly a similar sense is required throughout the Middle East. In the particular case of the conference at Rhodes, at which an attempt is being made to achieve permanent withdrawal of the military forces of Israel and Egypt, it is likely that the United Nations Mediator has had to cope with territorial demands by the Egyptians which are no more acceptable than the more extreme Israeli claims. He would undoubtedly have the support of the British Government in his attempt to bring both sides to reason. Again there is not the slightest chance that the attempt of the former Mufti of Jerusalem and a few other of the less reasonable Arab leaders to set up a "Palestine Government" at Gaza will receive anything but disapproval. Only the more short-sighted observers of the Middle Eastern scene could believe that the Arab states have no power whatever and that the manner in which they exercise that power is a matter of indifference to the rest of the world. It is worth remembering that not a single state in Asia has recognised the present Government of Israel much less the State of Israel. This is a formidable mass of power standing behind the Arabs. It cannot be ignored.

In the widest sense was imposed in equal manner. Control of all establishments, including banks, was imposed under the authority of Government Orders. Employers could be required to produce their books, and Excess Profits were to be taxed at 100 per cent. A Production Council to be presided over by Mr. Greenwood was to be formed, and a Director Labour Supply to be appointed.

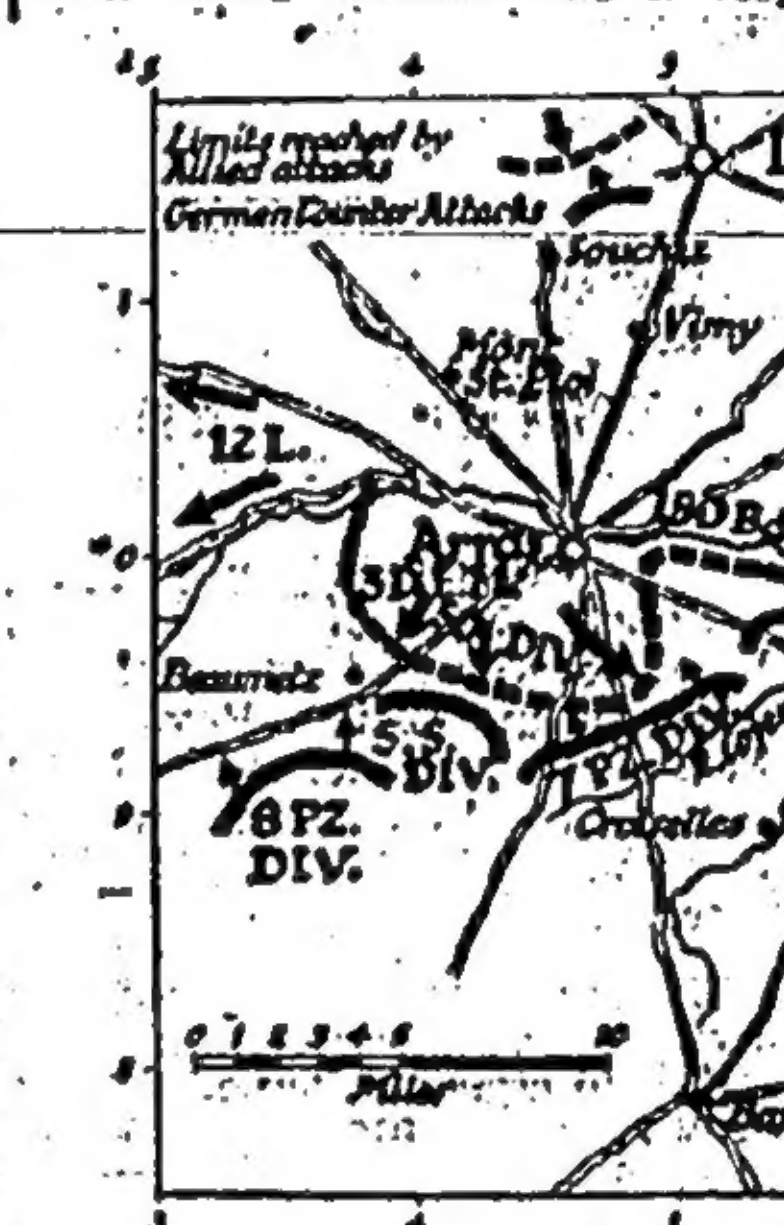
Temper of the Hour

This Bill was accordingly presented to Parliament on the afternoon of the 22nd by Mr. Chamberlain, and Mr. Attlee, the latter himself moving the Second Reading. Both the Commons and the Lords with their immense Conservative majorities passed unanimously through all its stages in a single afternoon and it received the Royal Assent that night.

"For Romans in Rome's quarrel Spared neither land nor gold: Nor hon nor wife, nor limb nor life."

In the brave days of old. Such was the temper of the hour.

When I arrived in Paris on May 23 there was a new setting. Gamelin was gone; Daladier was gone from the war scene. Reynaud was both Prime Minister and Minister of War. As the German thrust had definitely turned seaward, Paris was not immediately threatened. Grand Quartier General (the French G.H.Q.) was still at Vincennes, but the staff had moved down there about noon. In the garden some of those figures I had seen round Gamelin—and a very



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officer—were pacing moodily up and down. "Cast Gamelin's regime," remarked the aide-de-camp. Reynaud and I were brought into Weygand's room and afterwards to the map room where we had the great maps of the Supreme Command. Weygand met us. In spite of his physical exertions and a night of travel, he was brisk, buoyant and incisive. He made an excellent impression upon all. He unfolded his plan of war. He was not content with a Southward march or retreat for the Northern Armies. They should strike South East from around Cambrai and Arras in the general direction of St. Quentin, thus taking in flank the German armoured divisions at present engaged in what he called the St. Quentin-Amiens pocket. Their rear he thought would be protected by the Belgian Army, which would cover them towards the East, and if necessary, towards the North.

The Plan

Meanwhile a new French Army under Gen. Frere, composed of 18 to 20 Divisions drawn from Alsace, from the Maginot Line, from Africa and from every other quarter, were to form a front along the Somme. Their left hand would "push" forward through Amiens to Arras and thence by their utmost efforts establish contact with the armies of the North. The enemy armoured units, kept under "constant" pressure. The Panzer divisions must not, said Weygand, "be allowed" keep the initiative. "All necessary orders had been given so far as it was possible to give orders at all. We were now told that Gen. Billotte

to whom he had imparted his whole plan, had just been killed in motor accident.

Dill and I were agreed that we had no choice, and indeed no inclination, except to welcome the plan. I emphasised that "it was indispensable to reopen communications between the armies of the North and those of the South by way of Arras." I explained that Lord Gort, while retaining South West, must also guard his flank to the coast. To make sure there was no mistake about what was settled, I myself dictated a resume of the decisions, and showed it to Weygand who agreed. I reported accordingly to the Cabinet and sent the following telegram to Lord Gort:

22. V. 40. I flew to Paris this morning with Dill and others. The conclusions which were reached between Reynaud, Weygand and ourselves are summarised below. They accord exactly with general directions you have received from War Office. You have our best wishes in the vital battle now opening towards Bapaume and Cambrai.

1. That the Belgian Army should withdraw to the line of the Yser and stand there, the sluices being opened.

2. That the British Army and the French First Army should attack Squit West towards Bapaume and Cambrai, at the earliest moment—certainly tomorrow—with about eight divisions, and with the Belgian

from the ordeal which London was soon to endure.

In the absence of any supreme war direction events and the enemy had taken control.

The enemy had crossed the Scheldt on the 20th around Oudenarde, and the three British corps, which still faced East, withdrew on the 23rd to the defences we had created in the winter along the Belgian frontier, from which they had advanced so eagerly 12 days before. On this day the B.E.F. were put on half rations.

The impression of French helplessness derived from many sources led me to protest to Reynaud, Prime Minister to Mr. Reynaud. Communications of Northern Armies have been cut by strong enemy armoured forces. Salvation of these armies can only be obtained by immediate execution of Weygand's plan. I demand the issue to the French Commanders in North and South and Belgian G.H.Q. of the most stringent orders to carry this out and turn defeat into victory. Time vital as supplies are short and the next day!

Far Weygand

Prime Minister to Mr. Reynaud, for General Weygand.

General Gort wires that co-ordination of Northern front is essential with armies of three different nations. He says he cannot undertake this co-ordination, as he is already fighting North and South and is threatened on his line of communications. At the same time, Sir Roger Keyes tells me that up to 3 p.m. to-day (23rd) Belgian Headquarters and King had received no directive. How does this agree with your statement that Blanchard and Gort are main duns in main?

Appreciate fully difficulties of communication, but feel no effectual concert of operations in Northern area against which enemy are concentrating. Trust you will be able to rectify this. Gort further says that any advance by him must be in the nature of a sortie, and that relief must come from South, as he has not (repeat not) ammunition for serious attack. Nevertheless, we are instructing him to persevere in carrying out your plan. We say no more here over your own directive, and have no knowledge of the details of your Northern operations. Will you kindly have this sent through French Mission at earliest? All good wishes.

Complaint

During the 24th very reproachful telegrams arrived from Reynaud. The shorter of his two messages tells the story. You wired me [he said] this morning that you had instructed Gen. Gort to continue to carry out the Weygand plan. Gen. Weygand now informs me that according to a telegram from Gen. Blanchard, the British Army had carried out, on its own initiative a retreat of 25 miles towards the ports at a time when our troops moving up from the South are gaining ground towards the North, where they were to meet their allies.

This action of the British Army is in direct opposition to the formal orders received this morning by Gen. Weygand. This retreat has naturally obliged Gen. Weygand to change all his arrangements, and he is compelled to give up the idea of closing the gap and restoring a continuous front. I need not lay any stress

upon the gravity of the possible consequences. Up to this time Gen. Weygand had been counting on Gen. Frere's Army advancing Northwards and to have taken Amiens, Albert and Peronne. They had, in fact, made no noticeable progress, and were still forming and assembling. World Copyright reserved. Reproduction, even partially, in any language, strictly prohibited. Exclusive rights in Hong Kong by "China Mail". To Be Continued



Mr. Gamman thinks that BBC talks broadcast from Hong Kong are unsuitable for Chinese listeners. Wot, no gongs.

One hundred and ten members of the WRAF have embarked in England for posting to Singapore. None of our protests against unfair discrimination seem to make the slightest difference.

A demand that women be prohibited from crossing their legs in trousers has been made in Melbourne, according to United Press. There is, of course, a time and place for everything.

The Far East spy ring story is described as reading like a Hollywood script but that a slight on Sax Rohmer and Baroness D'Orcy?

For a little more than \$200 one can acquire an instrument which indicates which way the wind is blowing. And Chinese officials are discussing the lifting of import trade restrictions.

Strenuous efforts are being made in China to reach a peace compromise before the United Nations can attempt mediation. It is apparently feared that no arrangement would be strong enough to survive that.

Mr. Crossman, editor of the New Statesman, writes that Hong Kong is the HQ of the Chinese Communist movement. This is unlikely to make us look over our shoulder at Gripps to see who's sitting at the next table.

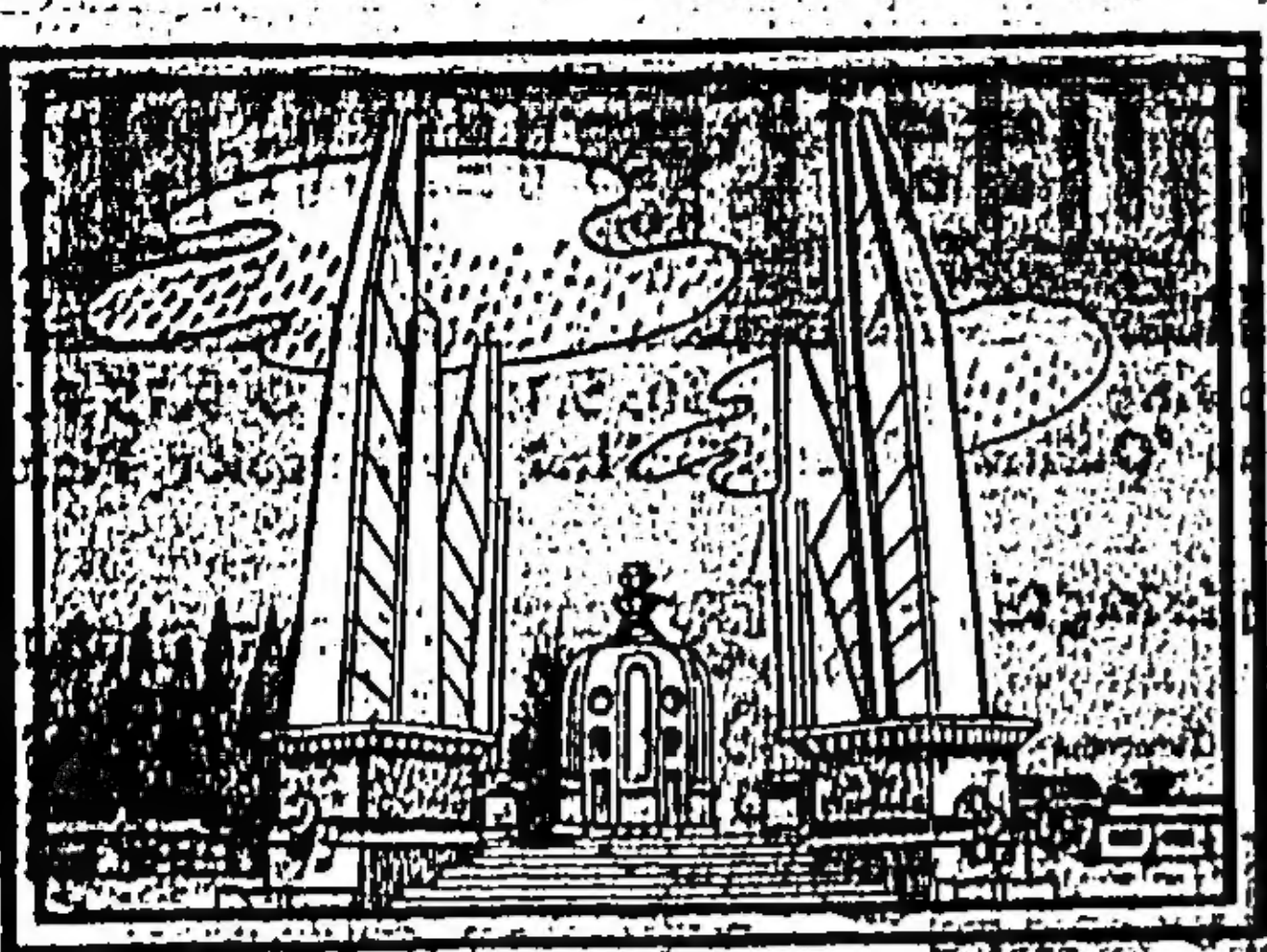
She rented a room to two young men she did not know, but soon got over her anxieties. "They must be nice boys," she exclaimed, "they both have towels from the YMCA."

That brilliant whisper you hear is a hotel resident reminding the manager about the Ides of March.



Okay! Okay!—now replace it with a false one.

upon the gravity of the possible consequences. Up to this time Gen. Weygand had been counting on Gen. Frere's Army advancing Northwards and to have taken Amiens, Albert and Peronne. They had, in fact, made no noticeable progress, and were still forming and assembling. World Copyright reserved. Reproduction, even partially, in any language, strictly prohibited. Exclusive rights in Hong Kong by "China Mail". To Be Continued



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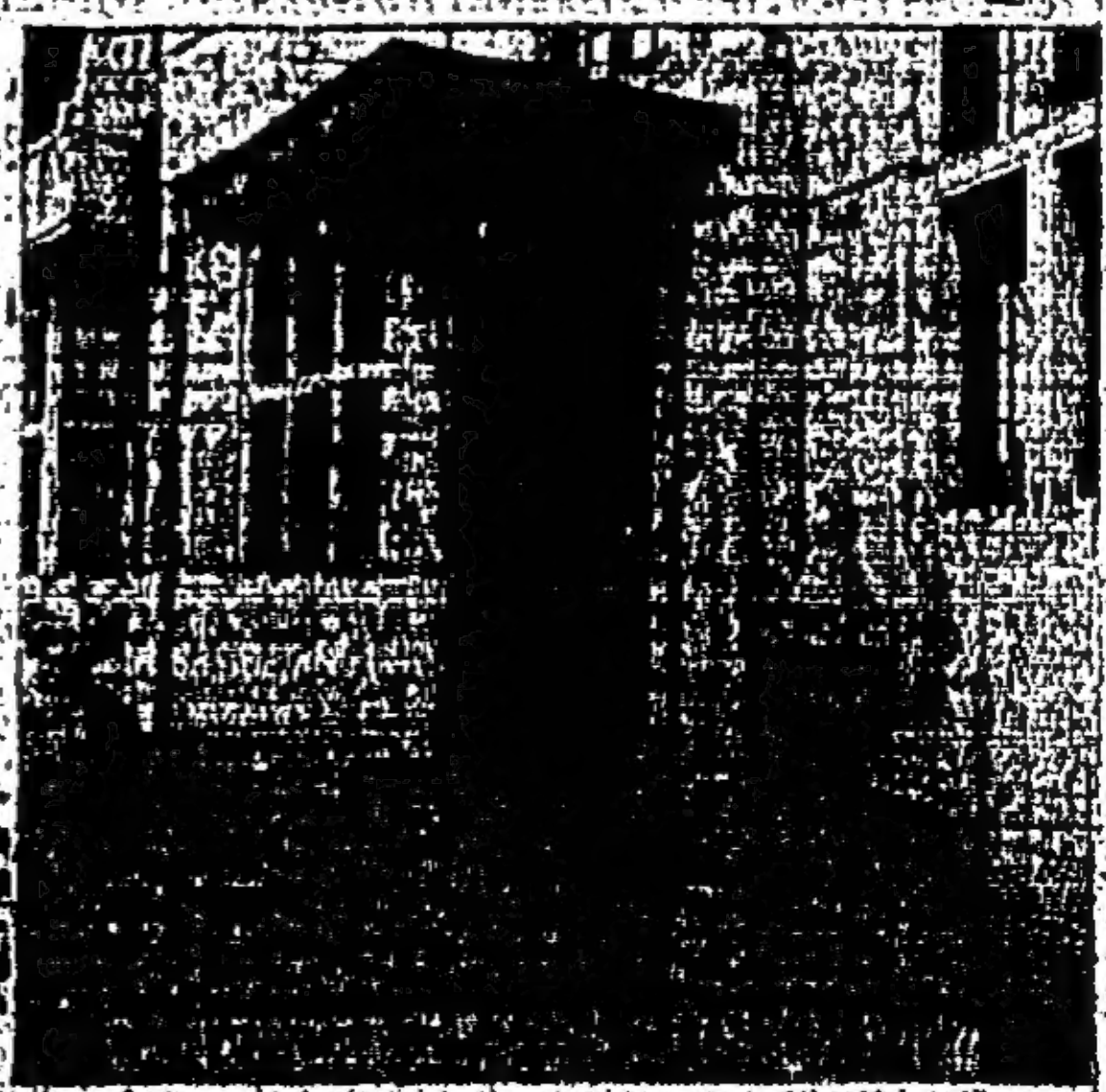


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CHINESE COMMUNISTS PUBLISH NEW LIST OF CIVIL WAR 'CRIMINALS'

Washington, February 11.

The Chinese Communists have branded 37 more Chinese Government officials and supporters as "war criminals."

Included in the new list are Paul Yu Pin, Roman Catholic Archbishop of China, now here on the way home after conferences with Vatican officials in Rome.

General Chiang Ching-kuo, oldest son of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, the Nanking Government representative to Formosa.

Penang Secession Rejected

Penang, February 10.

The Penang Settlement Council today rejected, by 15 votes to 10, a motion that Penang secede from the Federation of Malaya and revert to the Straits Settlements Colonial status.

All Unofficial members (private members who do not hold Government posts) with the exception of four Malays and one Indian Muslim voted for secession. Mr. D. A. Mackay, Chairman of the Penang Chamber of Commerce and member of the Federal Legislative Council, putting the motion, urged that the official members of the Settlement Council (nominated by the High Commissioner of the Malaya Federation) should vote according to their own convictions.

The Resident Commissioner, however, ruled that officials must take their stand with the Government.

Mr. Mackay declared that Penang desires to remain part of the Empire and her citizens to remain British subjects, and denied a suggestion by the Commissioner-General for South East Asia, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, that the secession movement is communist in nature.—Reuter.

Bomb Stockpile To Remain Secret

Washington, February 10.

The United States will continue to keep secret the number of atom bombs in its possession, President Truman announced at his press conference today.

Mr. Truman denied reports that Mr. David Lilienthal, United States Atomic Energy Commissioner, had said he is considering making this information public.

The fissionable core of an atom bomb is the size of a golf ball, but it is equal to 5,000,000 pounds of TNT, Lieutenant Colonel William R. Stark, of the Armed Forces Industrial College, disclosed to industrial leaders in Los Angeles today.

He added: "The bomb blast is no different from other bombs except in force, though the flash heat can inflict burns at a distance of 4,800 metres (three miles)."

Earlier, he had spoken to the industrial leaders of the atom bomb being the size of a golf ball, but later explained to a reporter:

"It is obvious that the bomb is much bigger than that because it takes a B-29 Superfortress to carry it."

Radio activity was responsible for 10 per cent of the deaths after the wartime atom bombs fell in Japan.

There has been some division of opinion in Congress on whether the United States should disclose information on the atomic bomb.—Reuter.

Perfidious Albion, By Moscow

London, February 11.

"Labour Imperialism's colonial strategy in Burma" is the title of an article by Leonidov published in the current issue of the magazine "New Times".

It is one of the boasts of the Labour leaders, Leonidov writes, that they have conferred freedom on the various parts of the British Empire. They claim that British imperialism no longer exists—they have abolished it.

The claim that the bonds of servitude have been removed from the colonies is designed to conceal one of the grossest frauds practised in the history of British imperialism, the article said.—Associated Press.

QUAKE RECORDED

Pasadena, February 10.

An earthquake of moderate intensity, with its centre 4,700 miles from here, was recorded this afternoon by the seismologist at the laboratory of the California Institute of Technology.

The direction of the quake was not determined.—United Press.

They Find Christianity 'Demoralising'

Edinburgh, February 10.

The Reverend E.C. Reckard, Secretary of the Christian Council for Overseas Students, said in Edinburgh today that students from West Africa and India find moral and religious life in Britain as different from what they had been led by missionaries to expect, that almost without exception, they return home as non-churchgoing men.

Mr. Reckard told the Diocesan Council of the Scottish Episcopal Church that there are about 600 overseas students at Edinburgh University and training colleges in the city.

He had received frantic letters from missionaries pleading that something be done to give overseas students a real insight into the Christian family life of Britain, he said, adding that many students find conditions in Britain paralyzing and demoralizing.—Reuter.

Vote Of Censure On Government

London, February 10.

Mr. Winston Churchill told the House of Commons today that the Opposition may insist on a vote of censure on the Government for its "gross financial mismanagement."

Mr. Churchill was referring to the presentation yesterday of the supplementary estimates of £221 million, which represent about a quarter of the pre-war budget.

It is unprecedented in peacetime and shows the most wild miscalculations on the part of the estimating authorities, he said. The estimates are to be debated next Thursday.

Mr. Churchill asked for a three-day debate. "It may be necessary—I do not say it will—to set down a vote of censure," he said.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, Lord President of the Council, replied that he thinks a second day for the debate can be arranged.—Reuter.

Regional Talks In The Pacific

Washington, February 10.

A partial text of Dr. Herbert Evatt's foreign policy Embassy today discloses that the External Affairs Minister stressed the importance of speech at Canberra issued by the Australian regional consultation.

Further, he said: "Regional consultation in South East Asia and the Pacific is strictly in accordance with the practice of the United Nations and of the British Commonwealth. Indeed, the 'South East Asia and Pacific' regions include no less than six of the eight members of the British Commonwealth—United Kingdom, India, Pakistan, Ceylon, New Zealand and Australia."

Dr. Evatt said regional co-operation in these areas had been recognised by the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East and by Lord Killearn's pioneer work, particularly on 1946, as well as by regular co-operation between South East Asian members of the British Commonwealth.

The Embassy text makes no direct reference to the recent New Delhi conference.

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COUNCIL DEFEATS RUSSIAN PLAN ON DISARMAMENT

Lake Success, February 10.

The Security Council today defeated Russia's latest disarmament proposals.

The proposals call for a one-third cut in the armaments of the Big Five and a public accounting of the United States atom-bomb stockpile.

After an afternoon listening to the delegate's charges that America is involved in a mad arms race destined to throw the world into a new war, the Council defeated the Soviet proposal two for, and none against, with eight abstentions. At least seven votes, including all the permanent members, are needed for Council approval.

At the same time the Council approved (nine for, none against, two abstentions) a United States resolution under which the Council transmitted to the Commission on Conventional Armaments the proposal approved by the General Assembly last autumn.

Under this General Assembly resolution, the possibility of disarmament is ruled out until world tension has eased, but the Conventional Armaments Commission is ordered to renew study of a blueprint for disarmament to be used if world conditions improve.

Soviet Resolution

The Soviet draft resolution introduced today would have:

1. Condemned the Western world's network of regional defence agreements, such as the forthcoming Atlantic defence pact.

2. Directed the Conventional Armaments Commission to prepare plans for a one-third reduction of the arms and armed forces of the United States, Britain, France, China and the USSR by March 1, 1950.

3. Directed the Atomic Energy Commission to complete, by June 1, draft treaties for simultaneous prohibition and destruction of atomic weapons and international control over atomic energy.

4. Directed each of the Big Five powers to give the Council full data on the amount of arms, armed forces and atomic weapons by March 31. This would have meant a public count of the U.S. atom bomb stockpile.—United Press.

"America Courting Disaster"

Washington, February 10.

Air Force General Milton E. Eisenhower warned today that the United States is courting disaster unless it builds an effective radar screen to detect possible enemy planes.

General Fairchild and other senior Air Force officers testified before the House Armed Services Sub-Committee on the urgent need for a joint United States-Canadian radar defence system to detect approaching planes up to 300 miles away.

The Air Force, he said, knows of no other effective defence against possible enemy air attack.

The United States will contribute up to \$50,000,000 as its share of the programme.

The system will not be air-tight but will be a big improvement.

Major General Gordon Saville, chief of the Air Defence Command, said the present national radar system is very thin, and radar facilities in the strategic Alaska area totally and wholly inadequate.—United Press.

Fiscal Stability Of Europe

Washington, February 10.

Mr. Averell Harriman, Marshall Plan "roving" representative, told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee today that fiscal stability is the most important thing for the recovery of Europe.

Supporting legislation to extend the European Recovery Programme, he reported, that good progress has already been made in many countries.

Committee members, closely examined Mr. Harriman on the effects of Britain's nationalisation. He agreed that irrespective of whether Britain nationalises her industry or not, it is essential that efforts be made to keep the British economy prosperous.

"The spirit of freedom, burns just as brightly in Britain as it has ever done," he declared.—Reuter.

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NOT THAT ONE

Washington, February 10.

Mr. W.C. Averell Harriman, ECA's roving Ambassador in Europe, today started the Senate Foreign Relations Committee by "identifying himself" as "USSR."

The Committee chairman, Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg, asked for clarification.

"United States special representative," replied Mr. Harriman.—United Press.

VANDENBERG TO RETIRE IN 1952

Detroit, February 10.

Senator Arthur Vandenberg, foreign policy spokesman for the Republican Party, said today that he will retire from public life after 1952.

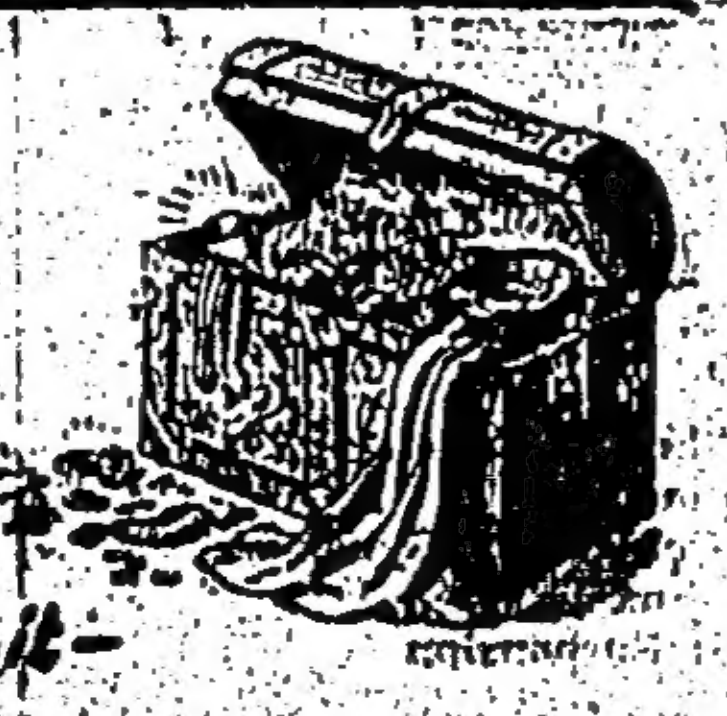
Chatting informally with newsmen, the Senator said "I will not run for any office after my present Senate term expires in 1952."—United Press.

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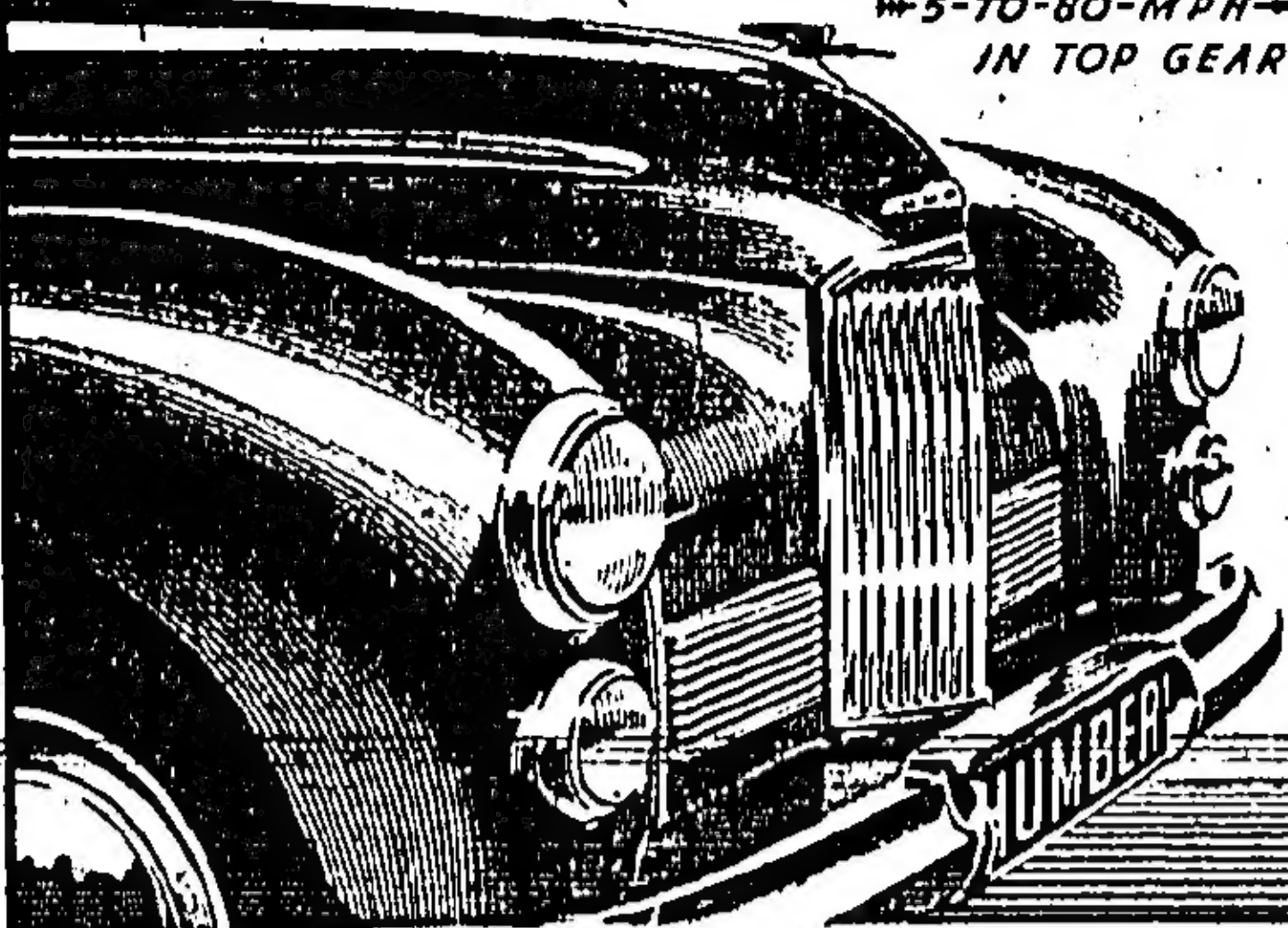
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BRITAIN'S NEW CARS

A Make-By-Make Review Of Some Of The Latest Products

The motor-cars offered to the world by the British motor industry are more diverse in size, style, and price than the products of any other car manufacturing country. The smallest British cars are among the cheapest in the world, and at the opposite pole the most expensive British cars are the most luxurious. In between, the British motor industry makes medium-sized cars that combine roominess, performance, and economy to a degree never previously attained. More expensive, but providing the speed and handling qualities of thoroughbred machines, are those British sporting cars that are universally appreciated by motorists to whom motoring is more than a convenient form of transportation.

The A.C. is a medium-sized car with a reputation for quality. The 2-litre engine is a well-tried design with six cylinders and an overhead camshaft, and develops 74 b.h.p. at 4,250 r.p.m. The four-speed synchromesh gearbox has a central gear-lever. The front brakes are hydraulic and the rear mechanical. The A.C. has half-elliptic springs all round, and cam-and-roller steering. It has a wheelbase of 117in., a turning circle of 38ft., a ground clearance of 7in., and weighs 25cwt. The saloon and drophead bodies offer remarkably good visibility.

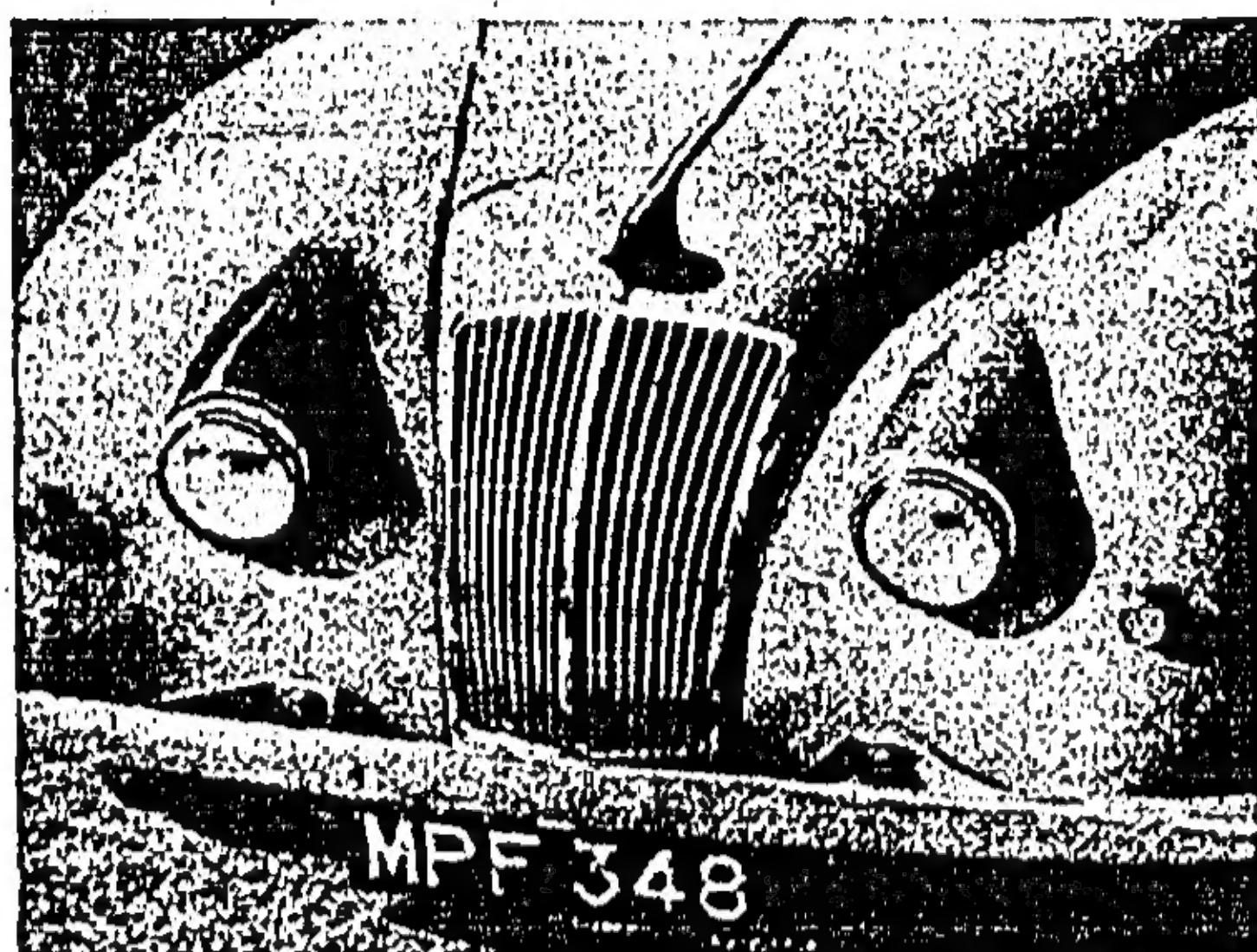
The Allard has a Ford V-8 engine in a special chassis, giving the excellent ratio of 85 b.h.p. to an unladen weight of from 21 to 25cwt, according to the type of body. The brakes are hydraulic and the steering gear is the worm-and-sector type. The car has independent front suspension using swinging axle beams. The wheelbase is 106in. on the two-seater and 112in. on the other models, and the ground clearance is 9in.

The Alvis "Fourteen" has a 1,892 c.c. overhead-valve engine developing 65 b.h.p. at 4,000 r.p.m., and the four-speed synchromesh gearbox has a central lever. The brakes are mechanically operated, and the steering gear is by worm-and-nut. Half-elliptic springs are used in front as well as at the rear. The wheelbase is 108in., the ground clearance 6½in., and the turning circle 39½ft. The saloon costs £998 in England.

ARMSTRONG SIDDELEY
The first new model introduced after the war, the Armstrong Siddeley has since been modified in detail as a result of the experience gained in two years' service on the road and now has a slightly lower bonnet line. The 2-litre overhead valve engine develops 70 b.h.p. at 4,200 r.p.m., the choice of a four-speed synchromesh gearbox with central lever or four-speed epicyclic gearbox with preselector on the steering wheel being provided. The epicyclic gearbox has the same top-gear ratio but a slightly lower bottom gear. The car has independent front suspension by torsion bars and half-elliptic rear springs. The front brakes are hydraulically operated and the rear brakes are mechanical. The steering is by worm-and-nut. The car has a 110in. wheelbase, a turning circle of 37ft., and weighs 27½ to 28½ cwt., according to the type of body. The ground clearance is 6½in. The saloon, sports saloon, and drophead bodies are unusually roomy and tastefully finished.

ASTON-MARTIN
Recently acquired by Mr David Brown, the tractor manufacturer, the Aston-Martin concern has resumed production with an entirely new sports car that has already

made its name by winning the 24-hour race at Spa last July. The four-cylinder overhead-valve engine of 2-litres capacity develops 80 b.h.p. at 4,750 r.p.m., the four-speed synchromesh gearbox has a central lever, the brakes are hydraulic, the steering cam-and-lever, and coil springs are used all round the car, wheels being independently sprung. The wheelbase is 108in., the ground



The A.C. typifies a British compromise in front end style.

clearance 7in., and the turning circle 35ft. The two-seater body has remarkable lines and is integral with the chassis.

AUSTIN
With two sizes of popular cars, a striking looking sports model, and a 4-litre chassis bearing luxurious coachwork, the Austin range is comprehensive. The 1,200 c.c. "A40" carries its four-door "Devon" body with exceptional liveliness, due to its ratio of 40 b.h.p. to unladen weight of 18½ cwt. As on all Austin models, the engine has push-rod overhead valves, and the steering is by cam-and-lever. The four-speed synchromesh gearbox has a central lever; the brakes are hydraulic in front and mechanical at the rear; and in common with other Austins (except the "Sixteen") the car has independent suspension by coil springs in front and half-elliptic springs at the rear. The "A40" sells in England at £302 to £365. The "A70" Hampshire is a bigger family car with a 2,199 c.c. four-cylinder engine developing 70 b.h.p., and the four-speed synchromesh gearbox is worked by a lever on the steering column. It weighs 24 cwt. and costs £475. The "Sixteen" saloon has the same engine and gearbox, but has a central lever and half-elliptic springs in front, as well as retaining the body used hitherto.

The "A40" Atlantic, with its 2,660 c.c. four-cylinder 88 b.h.p. engine, is an outstanding new British car that will have a strong appeal for its performance as well as its lines and price (£745). The head is raised or lowered by pressing a button, and the complete car weighs 25 cwt. Finally, the "A125" "Sheerline" and "A135" "Princess" saloons on the 4-litre six-cylinder chassis are big saloons with all the ease of running that distinguishes cars of generous engine capacity. They, too, have steering column gear-levers, and their brakes are hydraulic throughout. They cost £2,092 and £2,350 respectively.

BENTLEY
Made alongside the Rolls-Royce in the magnificent new factory at Crewe, the Bentley is unique among 100 m.p.h. cars for its silence and comfort, a combination which enables tremendous distances to be covered at high

speed without tiring the driver or passengers. The six-cylinder engine has a cubic capacity of 4½ litres, two carburettors, overhead inlet valves, and side exhaust valves. The four-speed synchromesh gearbox is operated by a side gear-lever. The hydraulic brakes are assisted by a mechanical servo, and the steering is by cam-and-roller. The Mark VI Bentley has independent suspension by means of coil springs in front, and half-elliptic springs at the rear. The wheelbase is 120 in., the turning circle is 41ft., the weight of the saloon is 34½ cwt., and the ground clearance is 7½ in. The normal saloon costs £2,595, and the car is available with a number of special bodies made by independent coachbuilders.

BRISTOL
With a 2-litre, six-cylinder engine developing from 75 to 85 b.h.p. (according to the type and number of carburettors and the camshaft fitted) and an unladen weight of 23cwt., the Bristol saloon gives a remarkable road performance. The four-speed gearbox has two-wheel on first gear, and a centrally placed lever. The front brakes are hydraulic, the rear mechanical, and the steering is of the rack-and-pinion type. A transverse spring provides independent suspension for the front wheels, and the rear springs are torsion bars. The wheelbase of the Bristol is 114in., the ground clearance 7in., and the turning circle 37½ft. The two-door saloon costs £1,750.

DAIMLER
All three Daimler models have overhead-valve engines, preselector four-speed epicyclic gearboxes and fluid couplings, independent front suspension with coil springs, and worm-and-roller steering. The 2½-litre has a six-cylinder engine developing 70 b.h.p. and weighs 30½cwt. with a saloon body (the sports model has twin carburettors and develops 85 b.h.p.). The car has a ground clearance of 6in., and can turn in 41ft. Its wheelbase is 114in. The 27 h.p. car has a wheelbase of 138in., a ground clearance of 7in., and a turning circle of 50ft. Its six-cylinder 4,095 c.c. engine develops 110 b.h.p. at 3,600 r.p.m. The chassis alone weighs 64cwt. The biggest Daimler—indeed it is the largest car in the world—is the 35 h.p. model with a straight-eight engine of 5,460 c.c. developing 150 b.h.p. at 3,000 r.p.m. The chassis weighs 37cwt. The wheelbase of this car is 147in., the clearance 7in., and the turning circle 50ft. The 2½-litre saloon costs £2,120 and the 27 h.p. and 35 h.p. chassis £1,700 and £2,025 respectively.

FORD
The British Ford company have continued their three well-tried

models with minor modifications. The V-8 "Pilot" saloon has the 3,622 c.c. engine, which develops 85 b.h.p. at 3,500 r.p.m. The weight of the complete car is 28½cwt. The three-speed gearbox has a steering-column gear lever. Steering is by cam-and-roller, and the brakes are hydraulic in front and mechanical at the rear. All the British "Fords" have transverse springing fore and aft. The "Pilot" has a wheelbase of 108½in., and a turning circle of 41½ft. to the right and 42½ft. to the left. The ground clearance is 8in., reduced to 6½in. by the hydraulic jacks. The "Prefect" and "Anglia" models are small saloons fitted with four-cylinder, side-valve engines, three-speed gearboxes, mechanical brakes, and worm-and-roller steering. The "Prefect" is the bigger of the two and has a 1,172 c.c. engine developing 30.1 b.h.p. at 4,000 r.p.m., a 94in. wheelbase, a 39½ft. turning circle, and an unladen weight of 15½cwt. The engine of the "Anglia" has a capacity of 993 c.c. and develops 23.4 b.h.p. at 4,000 r.p.m. Its wheelbase is 90in., its turning circle 34½ft., and its unladen weight 14½cwt. Ground clearances are 8.67in. and 8.87in. respectively. The "Anglia" has a two-door body and the "Prefect" a four-door body. The prices of these Fords are £585 for the "Pilot," £2305 for the "Prefect" and £235 for the "Anglia."

FRAZER-NASH
The Frazer-Nash is sold in two models, the "High Speed" and the "Fast Tourer," both with open two-seater bodies. The six-cylinder 2-litre Bristol engine is specially tuned to develop exceptional power—120 b.h.p. at 5,000 r.p.m. In the case of the "High Speed" model and 190 b.h.p. at 5,000 r.p.m. in the "Fast Tourer." The four-speed gearbox has a central lever. The Frazer-Nash chassis has tubular members and is extremely light. This saving of weight has been extended to the rest of the car, which weighs 16cwt. complete, resulting in a remarkable power to weight ratio. The front wheels are independently sprung by a transverse spring, and the rear suspension is by torsion bars. The steering is of the rack-and-pinion type, the wheelbase is 90in., the ground clearance 7in., and the turning circle 30ft. The basic "Fast Tourer" and £2,250 for the "Fast Tourer" and £2,250 for the "High Speed" model.

U.S. Liking For British Cars

Sir William Rootes, Chairman of the British Motor Manufacturers' Association, now on a visit to the U.S.A., stated, according to a New York report, that he had found a growing trend in the U.S.A. for British motor cars.

Sir William who speaking at a press conference on the eve of the opening of the first international automobile show in New York said that British cars were not being exhibited in competition with American cars. British manufacturers believe that it is in the interests of the U.S.A. that we should get to a state of freer trade when Marshall Aid becomes unnecessary," he said.

Of 100 foreign cars being shown in New York about two-thirds are British manufacture.

S.A. Orders More Double-Deckers

Leyland Motors of North England have announced another big South African order for their double-deckers—the type generally known overseas as the "London bus."

This latest order is for 16 vehicles all of them eight-foot wide models with 125 horsepower diesel engines. It comes from the Bloemfontein municipality.

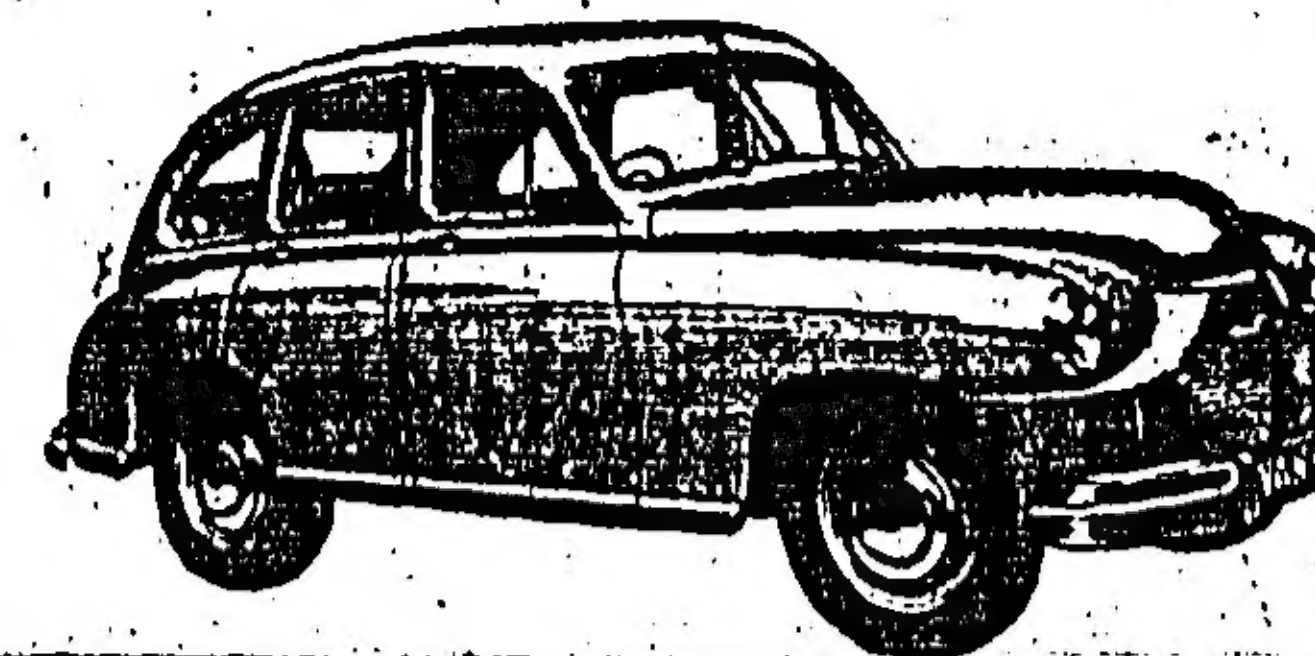
The South African municipality of Durban has just taken delivery of 75 Leyland eight-foot wide double-deck bus chassis. These will be put in service as soon as their locally built bodies are finished.

London buses have hitherto had a width of only seven and a half feet. Leyland Motors have, however, started work on 500 eight-foot wide vehicles which will be used to replace worn-out vehicles on the capital's routes.

BIG CAR CONTRACTS

An indication of the prestige held by the British motorcar in overseas exhibitions is the announcement just issued by the Nuffield organization that contracts for more than 3,000 of its cars, valued at £750,000, have already been signed as a result of the recent Brussels motor show.

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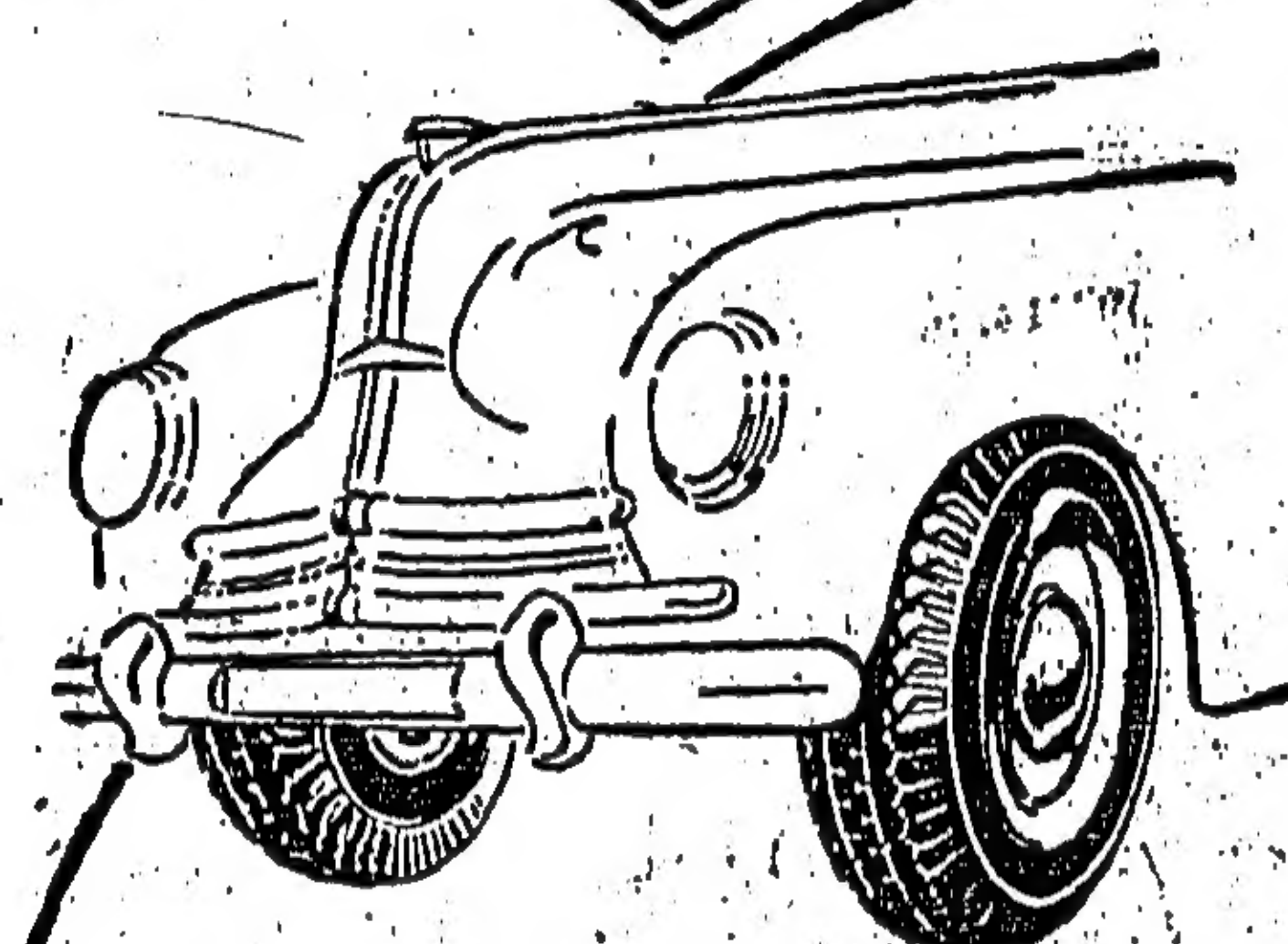
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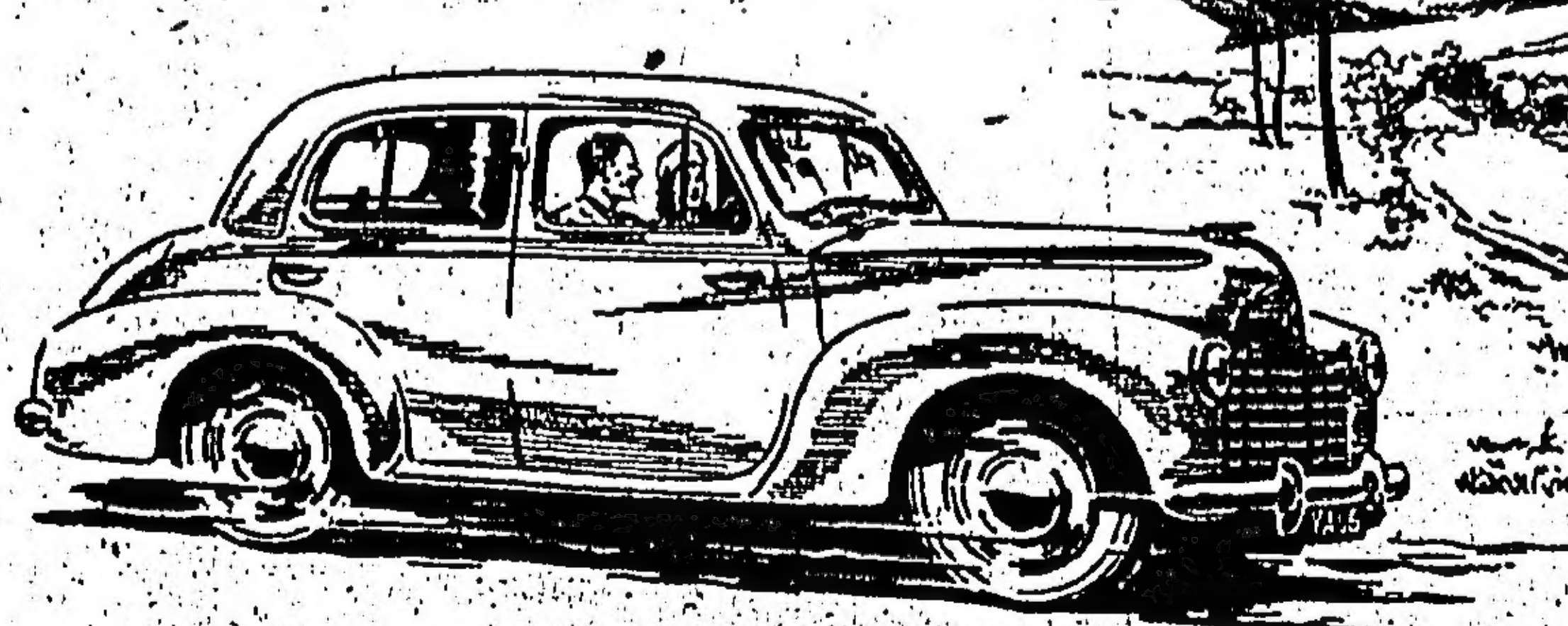
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HONG KONG, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1949.

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Hopper	Baker	
Kickoff 1:40 p.m.		

A special show will be held at the Meadows New York racetrack, where the following ponies of 1949 with winners at their side have won less than \$700 in stakes, barred will appear in this event and among the titles I expect end of the following year be the winner: Florio (Mr. Matland), The Alarm (C.

fast and should give a good count of themselves. Wood (Mr. Rowlands) is a fast moving animal and if it can talk loud from the start there will be no catching it.

Entries For Colony Shuttle Championships

Chung C.Y. Yung and K.F. Chong (YMCA), Chin Neow Kone and Yeow Ming Tin (University), So/L. Gail and T/Sgt. MacLeod, F/L. Griffin and Cpl. Fraser (RAF), F.	Munday, February 14. Those with will make, any late entrants will communicate with the Treasurer, Mr. M.A. Oliveira of Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.
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Buffs "A"	14	9	1	4	54
Gurkhas "A"	15	6	2	7	28
RASO "A"	16	6	1	2	28
BMK	17	5	1	11	25
RASO "D"	17	4	2	11	24
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team today defeated the visiting "Ta Kung Pao" team from Shanghai 47-30. Liang Tam led the team with 12 points.

put up a better display this afternoon than they did last week against Kwong Wah, their chances of gaining a point from this game are remote. The Saints beat the Chinese by four goals to three.

view that no more was applicable
made to "enquire into" the
causes leading to such resignation.
No explanation was given as to
why the best use was not made
of Mr. Keen's services, nor did
the Board suggest any remedy.

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